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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently amended) Method for quickly producing read or write readiness of an apparatus for reading from or writing to an optical recording medium, the recording medium having identification information items which individually identify the respective recording medium, comprising the steps of:
  - a) detecting identification information from said <u>optical</u> recording medium to identify the recording medium to the level of an individual disc,
  - b) checking in a storage means for a stored adjustment parameter value associated with said individual disc in a storage means, and
  - c) reading said stored adjustment parameter value from said storage means, if the check made in said step b) is positive, and adjusting said apparatus in accordance with said adjustment parameter value read, to facilitate one of reading and writing to said recording medium.
- 2. (Previously presented) Method according to Claim 1, wherein said step b) is negative, said apparatus is adjusted in order to be able to read from or write to a data area of the optical recording medium, and afterwards, for the identified recording medium, at least one adjustment parameter value corresponding to the adjusted state of the apparatus is stored in said storage means.
- 3. (Previously presented) Method according to Claim 1, wherein said storage means comprises a non-volatile memory.
- 4. (Currently amended) Method according to Claim 3, wherein said a non-volatile data carrier is provided externally to the apparatus, and in that the content of the file of said non-volatile data carrier is accepted into a memory which is provided in the apparatus and is accessed in said steps b) and c).



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- 5. (Previously presented) Method according to Claim 1, wherein said step a), a BCA data area of the optical recording medium is read as identification information.
- 6. (Previously presented) Method according to Claim 3, wherein said step a), a BCA data area of the optical recording medium is read as identification information.
- 7. (Currently amended) Apparatus for reading from or writing to an optical recording medium, comprising:

a recording medium having identification information items which individually identify the respective recording medium to the level of an individual disc,

a detection means for detecting said identification information items of said recording medium that has been inserted into the apparatus,

a control means for identifying said recording medium individual disc that has been inserted into said apparatus using said detected identification information items, and for checking whether, for said individual disc that has been identified recording medium, at least one adjustment parameter value for operation of the apparatus is stored in storage means,

said control means being configured in such a way that, in said case where, for the identified recording medium individual disc an adjustment parameter value has been able to be identified in said storage means, said control means read said adjustment parameter value from said storage means and adjust write means or read means of the apparatus in accordance with said adjustment.

- 8. (Previously presented) Apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said detection means are formed by the write means or read means.
- (Currently amended) Apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said control
  means are configured in such a way that, in the case where, for the identified
  individual disc recording medium, it has not been possible to identify an



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adjustment parameter value in the storage means, the said control means carry out an adjustment of the write means or read means and, for the identified individual disc recording medium, store in the storage means at least one adjustment parameter value corresponding to the adjusted state of the write means or read means.

- 10. (Previously presented) Apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said storage means comprise one of non-volatile memory of the apparatus and non-volatile data carrier provided externally to the apparatus.
- 11. (Currently amended) Apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said detection means are configured in such a way that they read a BCA data area of the recording medium as the identification information items which individually identify the recording medium individual disc that has been inserted into the apparatus.
- 12. (Currently amended) Apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said detection means are configured in such a way that they read a BCA data area of the recording medium individual disc as the identification information items which individually identify the recording medium individual disc that has been inserted into the apparatus.
- 13. (Previously presented) Apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said apparatus is configured for reading from and/or writing to a DVD-ROM disc as optical recording medium.
- 14. (Previously presented) Apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said apparatus is configured for reading from or writing to a DVD-ROM disc as optical recording medium.